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- 27. Hardener composition for use in the method of claim 16, wherein it comprises a filler in an amount of less than 20% by weight and a volatile acid.
- 28. Hardener composition according to claim 27, wherein it comprises volatile acid in an amount of 10-30% by weight.
- 29. Hardener composition according to claim 27, wherein the volatile acid is formic acid, acetic acid, or pyrovic acid.
- 30. Hardener composition according to claim 27, wherein it comprises a filler in the amount of less than 10% by weight.

REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, new claims are presented for examination.

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